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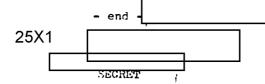
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- 1. There had been violent opposition between Walter Ulbricht and the head of the West Commission of the SED, (German Socialist Unity Party) Karl Schirdewan, ever since the uprisings in June 1953.
- 2. Schirdewen was under the special protection of Yudin when he was in Soviet Germany. Ther Yudin's describe for the East, Ulbricht tried to secure the ejection from his points of Schirdewan, who already had difficulties in 1952. Ulbricht, however, encountered energetic opposition in Karlshorst, where Schirdewan remains favorite.
- 3. Marlahorat now looks on Cahlrdewan as a coming man, although his promotion will hardly take place immediately after the Your Power Conference.
- 4. It is to be noted that Schirdevan took part in the seventh meeting of the Central Council of the Stat (Tree German Youth) on 7 Jan 54, as a member of the Politburo.
- 5. Ulbricht succeeded in having walter Haehnel removed as a member of the West Commission. Haehnel belonged to Schirdewan's group and was also a follower of Franz Dahlem. Haehnel lived in France during the Nazi period under the name of Kurt Kunert, and ofter the war was a political instructor in the French and American Jones.
- 6. Ulbricht has also been trying to get rid of the head of the travel section of the Central Committee of the SED, Richard Stahlmann, alias Arthur Illner, but Stahlmann is still on the job, supported by the Soviets.

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